

Safe Work Practice – Aerial Work Platforms

SWP-003

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GENERAL:

To ensure that Diversified Staffing employees are protected from the hazards associated with use of aerial work platforms.

PROTECTIVE MECHANISMS:

- Safe Work Practice (SWP)
- Permit system
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) - Part 18 OH&S Code
- As per manufacturer instructions
- Emergency Response Plan (ERP)

SELECTION AND USE:

- Safe work procedure
- Job requirement

SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITY:

- Notify Diversified Staffing if employee will be required to work on any type of lift or mobile equipment.
- To facilitate and/or provide proper instruction to their workers on protection requirements.

WORKER RESPONSIBILITY:

1. Diversified employee must notify employer when requested/instructed to operate a lift or any type of mobile equipment.
2. Read and follow manufacturer operator's instructions.
3. Perform job site inspection and walk around inspection of the equipment.
4. Ensure ground is firm and level.
5. Be aware of power line proximity.
6. Ensure correct aerial platform is utilized.
7. Do not overload the machine at any time.
8. No platform is to be made higher by the use of a scaffold, boxes, or ladders.
9. Wear the applicable safety harness attached to the machine when operating any aerial platform.
10. Get on and off the platform when it is in the lowered position.
11. While operating an aerial work platform, the operator shall not use any hand-held device(s) when operating the equipment.

NOTE:

- No person shall operate a Manlift or Scissorlift until they have received adequate training, in accordance with manufacturers specifications and hold a valid certificate.
- All PPE must be inspected prior to use.

***The information contained within this document does not take precedence over Occupational Health and Safety legislation. All employees should be familiar with the *Occupational Health and Safety Act* and the *Regulations*.**

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